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## NIHILIST SERVANT STABS CZAROVITCH CHURCH CLUB DEMANDS WHIPPING-POST HERE MYSTERY OF ATTACK IS NOW EXPLAINED

### St. Andrews' Men Adopt Resolutions Urging Legislation To Establish Punishment Of Lash For Criminals Convicted Of Assaulting Girls Of Tender Age—Other Congregations Taking Movement Up

Resolutions advocating the establishment of the whipping post in Honolulu for the punishment of crime against girls of minor years or immature age were adopted unanimously at a meeting of the Church Club of St. Andrews' Cathedral, Episcopal, on Tuesday night. With some fifty members of the club present, G. H. Buttolph offered resolutions calling for the whipping-post here, and the club went without a dissenting vote on record as favoring the plan.

It was learned today that there is a rapidly-growing movement among churchmen in Honolulu of several denominations to secure the passage of a law by the next legislature that will allow the sentencing to be whipped of men convicted of assaulting minors or girls of immature age. It is stated that the subject will be presented to several congregations or to church clubs in which both ministers and laymen participate, and it is felt that sentiment on the subject indicates that there will soon be other organizations to take action similar to that of the Church Club.

James Wakefield, president of the Church Club, this morning said that he heartily indorses the club's action and feels that a method is presented of checking some of the unspeakable crime concerning which public sentiment has recently become so strongly aroused.

The resolutions as passed by the club will be forwarded to the committees named by Bishop Renshaw as the result of the mass meeting at the Bijou theatre on the evening of December 1. This committee is authorized to consider means of checking the crimes against women and young girls, and the establishment of the whipping-post is one of the means suggested by the Church Club.

"We realize fully the disagreeable features involved in carrying out such a suggestion, and members of the club had considered the matter carefully before action was broached at the meeting on Tuesday night," said Mr. Wakefield this morning, "but we feel also that the whipping-post will help to stop this evil and that the greater good to the community outweighs the argument against reverting to what has been an abandoned form of punishment."

Mr. Wakefield referred also to the radical reforms that have been effected in England through the reestablishment of the whipping-post for grave offenders.

### COMMANDER BACKS SOLDIERS; WHOLE SERVICE IS STIRRED

#### Col. McGunnegle Rules Against Massmeeting but Officers Resent Horne Statement

The army of Oahu is now a closely-knit unit in demanding that the enlisted men be cleared of the alleged stigma placed upon them by President Perley L. Horne, of the Kamehameha Schools, when he made the statement at a public mass meeting that young Hawaiian girls were considered the legitimate prey of soldiers and adventurers from the mainland. The protest voiced by the soldiers of Fort Shafter spread like wildfire throughout the island posts, and the officers, from the department commander down to the most recently joined second lieutenant are behind the men in their demand for redress and fair dealing from the people of the city and Territory.

This morning Colonel George K. McGunnegle, commanding the department, considered the whole matter for some time, and finally sanctioned any action which might be taken by committees of responsible non-commissioned officers, toward protecting the personnel and reputation of the army here and the uniform of the United States from slander. He did not, however, sanction the proposed mass-meeting of soldiers to be held next Sunday night in this city, this being deemed an unwise move, likely to breed further misunderstandings.

When the story of the soldiers' stand for what they declare is only fair play was first published in the Star-Bulletin yesterday afternoon, it

created a stir in civilian and service circles alike. Many citizens who had heretofore given the matter of Professor Horne's charges against soldiers in connection with the education of young girls little or no consideration, now believe that the men who wear the uniform are taking a proper stand to clear their good name. Soldiers of the other posts of the island are naturally in sympathy with the Shafter men, and if there is need for financial assistance they can be counted on to make liberal donations to the fund that is being raised to carry the slander case into the courts.

Professor Horne refuses to retract

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### Tax Rate For 1914 May Be Put Way Up

The tax rate for 1914 may be increased from the present rate of 1.1 per cent to 1.5 per cent, for the island of Oahu, while the rate for the other islands may be boosted to 1.75 per cent.

So at least thinks the Territorial Treasurer Lloyd Conkling who in an interview given to the Star-Bulletin this morning, said:

"If the school budget as submitted to the board of estimate is passed by the coming legislature the tax rate may go up in 1914 from three to four mills of one per cent on Oahu and from five to six tenths of one per cent on the other islands. The increase next year, 1913, will be slight so slight that it will not be noticed, something like .03 of one per cent."

### REAR ADMIRAL COWLES TO PACIFIC FLEET TO BE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF NEXT FEBRUARY

Will Leave Honolulu Feb. 21 After More Than Two Years as Commandant of Local Naval Station—Has been Guiding Spirit of Pearl Harbor Work and Loss Will Be Felt. Successor Not Named

Rear Admiral Walter C. Cowles, commandant of the Honolulu naval station since December 14, 1910, has just received cabled orders which will relieve him from his command here on Feb. 21 next, and which promote him to be commander of the United States Pacific fleet. The goal of every flag-officer of the navy, to fly his two-starred blue flag afloat, will have been reached by Admiral Cowles within a few months.

While Admiral Cowles expected to be relieved here some time next summer, he had no idea what command was in store for him, or that his orders for sea duty would come so soon. He takes the place of Rear Admiral W. H. H. Southerland as chief of Uncle Sam's floating fighters in the Pacific, his orders being to sail from here between the 21st and the 25th of February, or as near those dates as practicable, and to take over the command of the fleet at San Francisco on arrival there.

It is not known what officer will be sent here to assume command of the Honolulu naval station, and the important naval work which is going on at Pearl Harbor, but the opinion prevails in local naval circles that some captain who has made his captain's cruise, and who has two or three years to wait for his stars, will assume the reins of government. It is possible, however, that another rear admiral will come to Honolulu.

Admiral Cowles has been closely identified with Pearl Harbor, many preliminary details of the great navy project having been carried out by him. He has seen the new station grow from a mere channel dredging project to one of the most extensive and important naval undertakings ever attempted by the United States or any other government. The drydock, coaling plant, barracks and industrial buildings are now well on the road to completion, and within another year the commandant and other officers stationed in Hawaii will be living at Pearl Harbor, and the yard will be in partial operation.

"I am sorry to leave Honolulu," said Admiral Cowles this morning. "I like the place, and I like the people, and my work here has been some of the most interesting that I have ever had to do during my naval career. I am sorry not to see Pearl Harbor further along toward completion, but when a naval officer is ordered to sea duty he goes, and of course I am getting a fine command. I shall always feel a warm personal interest in Hawaii, and I am sure that my successor, whoever he may be, can not help but like the station as I have liked it."

Mrs. Cowles and Miss Cowles are expected to return tomorrow on the transport, after a visit to the mainland. They will probably leave here with Admiral Cowles, and take up their residence either in San Francisco, or Washington, D. C., for the present.

It is thought that Admiral Southerland's relief sooner than was expected may be due to the splendid work which he has recently done in Nicaragua, and that he has been tendered the offer of some higher command.

### LT. SHERIDAN IS INJURED AT JUMPS

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS, Dec. 12.—Another cavalry officer has been injured on the steeplechase course, while schooling his mount for the much-talked-of Russian ride, that of officers of the mounted service are required to take as a test of horsemanship. This morning, while taking his horse over the hurdles and ditches that form the obstacles of the course, First Lieutenant Philip Sheridan, Fifth Cavalry, "came a cropper" and while on the ground received a kick from his mount which resulted in a fractured collar bone. He was taken to the post hospital, where his hurt is being attended. The injury, while painful, is not serious, and no complications are feared, although Sheridan will be out of the saddle for some time to come, and will of course not be able to take the test with his brother officers.



Walter C. Cowles, Rear Admiral, U. S. N., who is ordered from Honolulu to the command of Uncle Sam's battleships in the Western Ocean.

### Mahuka Case Goes To Congress

Notable developments in the Mahuka site Federal building case came late this afternoon, when discussion of a settlement of the E. O. Hall portion of the Federal building site materialized in a definite plan to postpone court action in the case for some months. Under the plan now said to be considered, the Mahuka case in the Federal court will probably be continued until after March 4, at which time the new Congress can take up the question of an additional appropriation to the present \$350,000, the additional appropriation being made to cover the sum arrived at as a settlement between the United States attorney and the attorneys for Hall & Son. There is still a part of the \$350,000 to cover the probable Hall awards, but not enough, and the appropriation to be asked will therefore be for enough to make up this balance.

### IMMIGRATION BOARD ORDERS 1600 PEOPLE FROM EUROPE

#### Agent Raymond C. Brown Cabled to Secure Portuguese Families If Possible

An order will be cabled to Raymond C. Brown, agent, by the Board of Immigration immediately, to charter a steamer in London to bring out sixteen hundred people, Portuguese families preferred, in accordance with a cable offer of a steamer, David Bruce & Co. make the offer, the vessel to have 1500 bunks and be on the berth open to acceptance from January 15 to 31. The price is 27,000 pounds, or about \$137,000, which Secretary Kearns has estimated would be at the rate of about \$5 a head for the immigrants. All expenses of quarantine will be on the owners.

This was the most important business transacted at the meeting of the board this afternoon, constituted by President E. H. Wedehouse, J. J. Carden and F. L. Waldron, with Ralph A. Kearns, secretary, in attendance. Mr. Waldron inquired about the whereabouts of Commissioner Atkinson, saying the board was sailing pretty close to the wind with only three members in town. One of them had been detained from this meeting, the vital matter of the London charter would have been seriously imperiled.

It was stated that Dr. Clark had cabled from Washington, "Atkinson here."

A batch of bills was passed for payment and other routine business done, including a decision to advertise for tenders for a new contract to furnish supplies to the immigrant station. The present contract expires December 31.

The schooner Helene with a full shipment of lumber for Honolulu is reported to have sailed from Port Blakeley yesterday.

### I-I. DRYDOCK PAPERS FILED

Papers were filed in the registry of conveyances today in connection with the license to the Inter-Island Steam Navigation Company to construct a floating drydock in Honolulu harbor. In consideration of one dollar and of the license the company releases and quitclaims to the Territory of Hawaii a parcel of land containing an area of 4424 square feet.

In the license, given by Joshua D. Fucker, commissioner of public lands, with the approval of Governor Frazier, the preamble states that the licensee is desirous of constructing a floating drydock in the harbor of Honolulu, and that it is the owner of an adjoining piece of land outside of the established lines of the harbor. Further, it states that the licensee is the owner of a certain piece of land described in the license, which lies between the land of the licensee and the harbor lines—the area of which is given in the company's quitclaim deed above mentioned as 5393 square feet.

"Said drydock will be of great public benefit," the preamble concludes. License is then granted to the company to occupy and use, deepen and dredge out the said piece of government land, "for the full and free passage thereover of the licensee's vessels and of all other vessels using or desiring to use said floating dock."

The company is granted permission to erect on the land mentioned buildings or improvements necessary, the plans for which shall be made subject to the approval of the board of harbor commissioners of the Territory of Hawaii, or other public authority succeeding to its powers and duties.

### Quiet Investigation Conducted By The Secret Police Of Russia Finally Bring Home Crime To Members Of Nihilist Band In St. Petersburg—Prince Is Reported Improving And Now Out Of Danger

(Special Star-Bulletin Cable)

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The mystery of the attack upon the Czarovitch has been solved by the Russian secret police, declares a dispatch to an afternoon paper here from St. Petersburg. The police, after careful investigation, are now convinced that the attack was made by a servant in the Royal household, who had been converted to the nihilist doctrines, and because of his opportunity of getting close to the object of the plot was selected by the circle to kill the Crown Prince. The attack was made while the Czarovitch was walking on the decks of the Royal yacht and for some time baffled the efforts of the police.

### Youth Threatens Wilson With Sudden Death

(Associated Press Cable)

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Another plot to murder President-elect Woodrow Wilson was unearthed by the United States secret service men today, when they arrested Herman Steinberg, a half-crazed boy seventeen years old, who is held on a charge of having threatened the life of Mr. Wilson. When arrested the youth was armed with a heavy revolver, fully loaded. He made a desperate struggle when the detectives appeared and it was with difficulty that the officers got him to the Tombs.

### WILSON MUST TESTIFY

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### Austria Alarms Europe By Her War Preparations

PARIS, FRANCE, Dec. 12.—Captains of the great Powers of Europe were alarmed today when it was learned that the government of Austria is preparing to dismiss Parliament and promulgate the proposed military bills under the emergency clause of the constitution. It is believed that if the Dual-Monarchy takes this step that Serbia, expecting the war will undoubtedly take the initiative and force Austria's hand. The French government has learned from correspondents in the Austrian capital that the government is rushing the mobilization of troops on the Serbian frontier and is spending millions of francs on preparations for active hostilities.

### Flames Entrap Girl Workers

CHICAGO, Illinois, Dec. 12.—One hundred and fifty girl workers in a factory here today narrowly escaped cremation when trapped by flames. The fire broke out on the lower floors of one of the skyscrapers early this afternoon, and in five minutes the stairways and elevators were engulfed in dense volumes of smoke, shot with fire. The employees of the factory, led by one of their number, climbed to the roof, smashed the skylights and escaped over the roof to the tops of adjoining buildings. No one was hurt.

### Many Hangings In Oregon

SALEM, Oregon, Dec. 12.—There will be five public hangings here tomorrow. Governor West declares that, while he does not believe in capital punishment he will permit the executions in order that the example will shock the community into a sense of shame at having voted for capital punishment at the last election, and enable the reformers to bring home to them the horror of what he calls "legal murder."

### U. S. Sues Horseshoers

DETROIT, MICHIGAN, Dec. 12.—The United States district attorney here today began formal proceedings under the Sherman act against the National Master Horseshoers' Association. This is the latest of the government's "trust buster" suits.

### Chance May Head Highlanders

LOS ANGELES, California, Dec. 12.—It is reported here today that the management of the New York Americans has offered Frank Chance the management of the club. Chance has agreed to accept the offer if Johnson will release him. The salary offered Chance is said to be \$18,000.

### STREETCAR CONDUCTOR UNDER ARREST; TOO MANY WIVES ALLEGED

J. W. Clark, conductor on the Nuu from the Coast and lived with her for some time at Fifteenth avenue. Company, was arrested yesterday by the U. S. Marshal's office charged with bigamy. The officers declare that behind the arrest is an amazing story of a double life led by the man. Clark is said to have married a girl

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